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AVAILABILITY OF DOCTORS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of heads of the department, specialists and other doctors of the Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh who took special leave to participate in Seminar, and other functions in the country or abroad during each of the last three years;

(b) whether the services of the said doctors and specialists in the institute are required on daily basis for medical advice, operation and for attending OPD; and

(c) if so, the action being taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure daily availability of the said doctors for attending patients?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a): There are 268 faculty members in position at PGIMER, Chandigarh. The faculty members at PGI are entitled to special casual leave for participating in seminars, symposia, national and international conferences in the country and abroad. The entitlement of special casual leave per annum category wise is as follows:-

Professor	30
Additional Professor	21
Associate Professor	14
Assistant Professor	14

The number of faculty members who were permitted to attend international conference in the last three years is given below:-

2001-2002	27
2002-2003	40
2003-2004	42

(b)&(c): In the absence of faculty members attending national/international conference, their duties are attended by the other faculty members in their Departments. There is no deficiency in patient care services provided at PGIMER, Chandigarh.